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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AMODE, AFSP, APER

SUBJECT: AMERICAN POSITON REDUCTIONS

1. DURING RECENT MONTHS YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN MODE  
REVIEWS LEADING TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN IMPLEMENTING  
PRESIDENT CARTER'S DIRECTIVE THAT THE WORLDWIDE AMERICAN  
OVERSEAS PRESENCE BE REDUCED BY SEVERAL HUNDRED POSITIONS.  
YOUR SUPPORT HAS BEEN MOST GRATIFYING.

2. I MUST NOW SEEK YOUR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING WITH SPE-  
CIAL REGARD TO REDUCING A NUMBER OF STATE DEPARTMENT POSI-  
TIONS TO SATISFY NEW DEMANDS WHICH HAVE BEEN LEVIED UPON  
ME. SECRETARY VANCE, FINDING IT NECESSARY TO STAFF HIGH  
PRIORITY PROGRAMS, HAS ASKED ME TO RELINQUISH SEVENTEEN  
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ARA POSITIONS. ADDITIONALLY, TO GIVE NEW IMPETUS AND  
DIRECTION TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S DESIRE TO PROMOTE POLITICAL  
STABILITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CARIBBEAN AREA,  
I MUST REPROGRAM OTHER ARA POSITIONS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, AFTER CAREFUL REVIEW OF YOUR MODE RESPON-  
SES, YOUR ZBB AND GORM PROPOSALS, AND AFTER CONSULTING WITH

CONCERNED BUREAU OFFICIALS AND M/MO, I PLAN TO WITHDRAW FROM  
YOUR MISSION COMPLEMENT CERTAIN AMERICAN RESOURCES. IN MOST

CASES, WITHDRAWAL WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL AT LEAST THE END  
OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, WHILE IN A FEW CASES I HAVE  
BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION SOMEWHAT LONGER.

4. THE CUTS WHICH I RELUCTANTLY, BUT OF NECESSITY, MAKE  
IN YOUR STAFF ARE:

TEGUCIGALPA: SECRETARY, FS/MC  
POSITION 20-016  
INCUMBENT: CAROL MURPHY

5. EFFECTIVE DATE FOR REDUCTION OF POSITION IS SEPTEMBER  
30, 1978 OR UPON TRANSFER OF INCUMBENT, WHICHEVER IS SOON-  
ER. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH PER. IN THE  
NEAR FUTURE, APPROPRIATE CAREER COUNSELOR WILL BE IN TOUCH  
WITH MS. MURPHY REGARDING HER ONWARD ASSIGNMENT. IN THE  
EVENT POST PROPOSES REASSIGN INCUMBENT AT POST, ADVISE  
DEPARTMENT NLT COB JUNE 30 NAME OF ALTERNATIVE SECRETARIAL  
EMPLOYEE TO BE TRANSFERRED. VANCE

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